



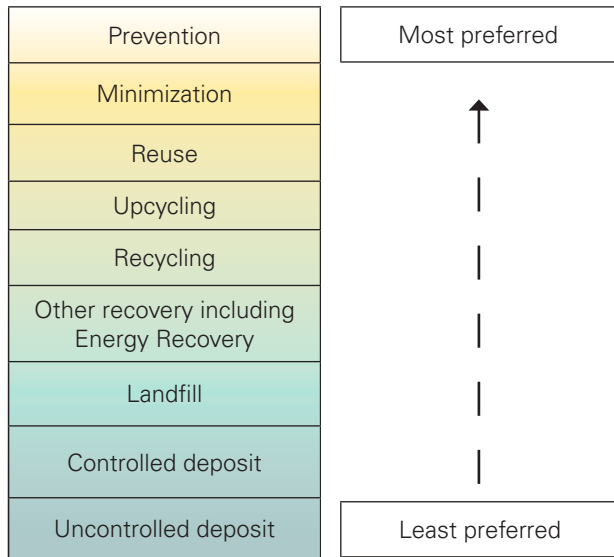
# SGS Upcycling Verification Program

Circular fashion is a new trend at a global level bringing a closer dialogue with consumers to increase awareness of the environmental and social impact of textile and footwear products.

To support the development of fashion circularity model, driving best practices and traceability in the circular supply chain, SGS developed the Upcycling Verification Program in response to market needs.

Recycling is a widely-known approach to deal with waste, which might introduce contaminants during the recycling process and lead to lower quality materials or products. As an alternative process to recycling, upcycling can help to utilize the collected/reclaimed textile leftover or waste to make new products with higher value than the original one through the process of repurposing, redesigning and remaking. It offers another option in the waste management hierarchy.

### UPCYCLING IN WASTE MANAGEMENT HIERARCHY



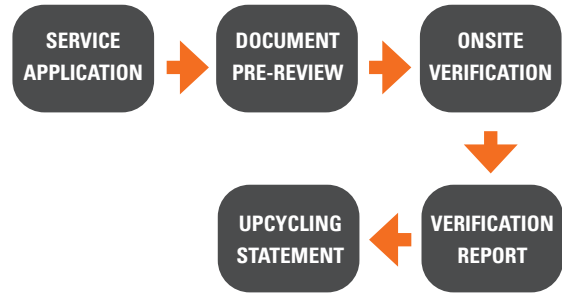
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In the past years, pioneer brands have taken their steps on upcycled product to accelerate the transition towards circular textile industry. The growing demand from consumers for transparency and verification claim, alongside their appetite to support sustainable fashion, SGS has developed an Upcycling Verification Program to offer the independent third-party verification solution to the textile and footwear industry.

### SERVICE WORKFLOW

This service is to verify the upcycled material and evaluate the upcycled content in the final product. The procedure for the Upcycling Verification Program is as below:



### WHY YOU NEED UPCYCLING VERIFICATION PROGRAM?

- Support upcycling claim in the market
- Demonstrate traceability and transparency in the supply chain
- Increase resources utilization efficiency
- Response to sustainability initiatives in the industry



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